

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD**

House of Blues Brands Corp.)	
Opposer)	
)	
)	Opposition No. 91169537
v.)	Serial No.: 78/623,323
)	
Chica, Inc.)	
Applicant)	
)	

APPLICANT'S ANSWER TO NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

Applicant submits the following Answer to the Notice of Opposition filed by House of Blues Brands Corp concerning Serial No. 78/623,323.

1. In answering paragraph 1 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant admits it is the owner of Trademark Application Serial No. 78/623,323 in International Class 9 published January 24, 2006. Applicant denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 1 of the Notice of Opposition.

2. In answering paragraph 2 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant admits that Trademark Application Serial No. 78/623,323 was filed based on first use of April 1999. Applicant denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 1 of the Notice of Opposition.

3. In answering paragraph 3 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations of said paragraph and, therefore, basing its answer on such lack of information and belief, Applicant denies the allegations of said



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paragraph.

4. In answering paragraph 4 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations of said paragraph and, therefore, basing its answer on such lack of information and belief, Applicant denies the allegations of said paragraph.

5. In answering paragraph 5 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant admits that Opposer is the owner of the trademark registrations having the registration numbers listed, and that applications for such registrations were filed on the respective dates of filing provided. Applicant denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 5 of the Notice of Opposition.

6. In answering paragraph 6 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant admits that Opposer is the owner of the trademark applications having the application numbers listed. Applicant denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 6 of the Notice of Opposition.

7. In answering paragraph 7 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations of said paragraph and, therefore, basing its answer on such lack of information and belief, Applicant denies the allegations of said paragraph.

8. In answering paragraph 8 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations of said paragraph and, therefore, basing its answer on such lack of information and belief, Applicant denies the allegations of said paragraph.

9. In answering paragraph 9 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant admits that Opposer is the owner of the trademark registrations having the registration numbers listed, and

that applications for such registrations were filed on the respective dates of filing provided.

Applicant denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 9 of the Notice of Opposition.

10. In answering paragraph 10 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant admits that Opposer is the owner of the trademark application having the application number listed.

Applicant denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 10 of the Notice of Opposition.

11. In answering paragraph 11 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant admits that Opposer is the owner of the trademark registrations having the registration numbers listed.

Applicant denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 11 of the Notice of Opposition.

12. In answering paragraph 12 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations of said paragraph and, therefore, basing its answer on such lack of information and belief, Applicant denies the allegations of said paragraph.

13. In answering paragraph 13 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations of said paragraph and, therefore, basing its answer on such lack of information and belief, Applicant denies the allegations of said paragraph.

14. In answering paragraph 14 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations of said paragraph and, therefore, basing its answer on such lack of information and belief, Applicant denies the allegations of said paragraph.

15. In answering paragraph 15 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations of said paragraph and, therefore,

basing its answer on such lack of information and belief, Applicant denies the allegations of said paragraph.

16. In answering paragraph 16 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations of said paragraph and, therefore, basing its answer on such lack of information and belief, Applicant denies the allegations of said paragraph.

17. In answering paragraph 17 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations of said paragraph and, therefore, basing its answer on such lack of information and belief, Applicant denies the allegations of said paragraph.

18. No answer to this paragraph is considered necessary, the answers already having been provided above.

19. Applicant denies the allegations of paragraph 19 of the Notice of Opposition.

20. Insofar as they are understood, the allegations of paragraph 20 of the Notice of Opposition are denied by Applicant.

21. No answer to this paragraph is considered necessary, the answers already having been provided above.

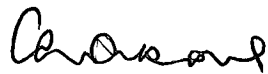
22. In answering paragraph 22 of the Notice of Opposition, Applicant lacks sufficient information or belief to enable it to answer the allegations (to the extent understood) of said paragraph and, therefore, basing its answer on such lack of information and belief, Applicant denies the allegations of said paragraph.

23. Applicant denies the allegations of paragraph 23 of the Notice of Opposition.

WHEREFORE, the Applicant prays that Opposer's opposition be denied, that the Notice of Opposition be dismissed with prejudice and that Applicant's application pass to registration.

Date: April 10, 2006

Respectfully submitted,



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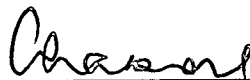
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